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6 **IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
7 **FOR THE DISTRICT OF ARIZONA**
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9 Fernando Gastelum,

10 Plaintiff,

11 v.

12 H&A Group LLC,

13 Defendant.
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No. CV-17-03235-PHX-DJH


ORDER

15 On July 18, 2018, Plaintiff filed a Notice of Suspension and Request for Stay
16 Pending Retainer of New Counsel (Doc. 16), wherein he informs the Court that his
17 counsel's law license has been suspended on an interim basis and thus counsel can no
18 longer appear on his behalf. (*Id.*) Plaintiff therefore requests that the Court "stay this
19 proceeding for a period of sufficient duration for plaintiff to find and engage new
20 counsel." (*Id.*) No response has been filed. Over three months have passed since
21 Plaintiff filed his motion and no newly engaged counsel has appeared on behalf of
22 Plaintiff. The Court will not indefinitely stay these proceedings.

23 **IT IS ORDERED** that no later than November 2, 2018, Plaintiff must either have
24 his substitute counsel file a notice of appearance, or Plaintiff must advise the Court of his
25 address and phone number if he decides to appear pro se. If by November 2, 2018,
26 Plaintiff does not notify the Court that he has elected to proceed pro se by providing his
27 contact information and if Plaintiff does not have counsel who can continue his
28 representation, the Clerk of Court is kindly directed to terminate any pending motions

1 and dismiss this case without prejudice, without further order of the Court. Plaintiff's
2 Request for a Stay Pending Retainer of New Counsel (Doc. 16) is thus **denied** except for
3 the limited relief provided herein.

4 Dated this 23rd day of October, 2018.

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7 Honorable Diane J. Humetewa
8 United States District Judge
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